

REMARKS

After entry of this submission, claims 1-10 and 20-29 will be pending in this application. Claims 6 and 11-16 have been cancelled without prejudice. New claims 21-29 have been added. In view of the claim amendments and following remarks, applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application and claims and submit that the application is in condition for allowance.

The amendments to the claims and new claims are supported by the application as originally filed, do not add new matter, and are otherwise proper. Support for the amendments to the claims and the new claims can be found throughout the application as originally filed, including without limitation:

Claim 1: Paragraphs [11] and [12];

Claim 21: Paragraph [12];

Claim 22: Paragraphs [13] and [48];

Claim 23: Paragraph [40];

Claim 24: Paragraph [40];

Claim 25: Paragraph [18];

Claim 26: Paragraph [22];

Claim 27: Paragraph [40];

Claim 28: Paragraph [11]; and

Claim 29: Paragraphs [13].

Applicant respectfully requests entry of this Amendment in its entirety. This amendment adds, changes and/or deletes claims in this application. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claim(s) remain under examination in the


application, are presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier. Because the amendments make explicit what was inherent, broaden or do not narrow the scope of the claims, the claim amendments are not narrowing and the claims are entitled to the same, or broader, scope either literally or under the Doctrine of Equivalents.

CONCLUSION

Applicant believes that the present application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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